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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

is painted white with black trim.

Milestone Farm is located just north of Hopewell Road near the intersection of U.S. 11 and I-81 about one mile northeast of Williamsport in Washington County, Maryland. It is built into a rise of ground and faces southeast. The main section of the house is a three-bay, two-story structure with an end door and hall. A three-bay, one-and-a-half story section is attached on an axis to the northeast gable end of the main section. Extending to the rear of the main part is a two-and-a-half story brick el. The entire house

A large double brick chimney is located inside the southwest gable end of the structure. At the rear or northwest end of the house a brick chimney rises from inside the gable. A smaller third chimney is located outside the northeast gable end of the one-and-a-half story wing. The roof of the entire structure is covered with modern black shingles.

The walls are set on rough limestone foundations which are very low at the front of the house but become a full story in height at the rear to accommodate the slope of the terrain. Bricks are laid in Flemish bond in the facade of the main section. Other walls are laid in common bond. Flat brick arches are present over the windows in the facade of the house and those along the southwest side.

Some decorative woodwork is associated with the cornice which is finished with neoclassically inspired molding. At the gables, the ends of the roof are faced with a plain board.

Numerous window openings are located on all sides of the building. The windows are framed by simple molding and contain, generally, six-over-six pane sashes. Two modern dormers are present at the front of the one-and-a-half story section. They are framed similarly to the windows in the main section of the house. Most of the windows are flanked by louvered shutters at the second story and paneled shutters at the first floor. A large bay window is located at the first floor level along the southwest side of the el. Another bay window is present in the northeast gable of the one-and-a-half story section and a third is located at the rear of the house in the frame extension to the northeast wall.

The main door is located in the third bay from the south corner of the house. It is flanked by paneled shutters and includes a transom with diamond pane lights. The door enters into a spacious stair hall.

A modern one-bay, roof entrance porch shields the front door. It is supported by three square posts at each corner. A diamond lattice work ballustrade is carried on the porch roof. Another porch with similar woodwork is present at the southwest side door.

Although the exterior of the house has been altered, most changes have been made with an effort toward restoration. With the exception of the bay windows, porches and dormers, the original structure is essentially intact.

There is no substantiated date indicating the year that the house at Milestone Farm was built. However, in Washington County most dwellings of this type with double chimneys and formal design were constructed between 1830 and 1850.

In addition to the house several buildings are located on the property, including a stone bank barn. All are in excellent condition. The property contains 77.91 acres and is used for agriculture. The house is in no immeddiate danger of destruction.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Milestone Farm is outstanding as a well preserved, although altered example of mid-19th century architecture in Washington County. The Milestone Farm dwelling which may date from between 1830 and 1850 is an example of a type of house very common in western Maryland as well as in southern Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Such structures are three bays in width with a door in the end bay of the facade. Entrance is generally made into a spacious stair hall. Three-bay houses with an end hall may be considered an abbreviated version of the five-bay central hall farmhouse which differs only by the width of two additional pairs of windows beyond the entrance door. This farm house plan is frequently designated as "rural Georgian" in form while the three-bay end hall structures may be termed "half Georgian."

By the term Georgian is meant a house type that is based very remotely upon the architecture of the late 17th and early 18th centuries in England. There, formality and symmetry are the major features of Georgian or English Renaissance architecture. In America, building in the Georgian style was prominent during the mid to late 18th century in the coastal areas of the 13 colonies. In the inland areas architecture of Georgian inspired form did not develop until the late 18th and early 19th centuries and examples are frequently found dating quite late in the 19th century.

As it spread to the inland areas, particularly of Pennsylvania and Maryland, the Georgian inspired form became the standard farmhouse plan. The style lost much of its formal detail as it was adapted to use in sparsely settled areas. Basic symmetry, however, was retained. The prominent feature of this type of house is the center front door which opens into a stair hall. Two rooms are usually located on each side of the hall, each with an opening into the central passageway. The Georgian form farmhouse is usually five bays in width with chimneys internally placed at each gable end. It is unusual in western Maryland to see such houses with hipped roofs and interior chimneys. Very frequently a smaller adaptation of the five-bay plan, the half Georgian house was used. The Georgian inspired farmhouses of brick and stone are landmarks in western Maryland, southern Pennsylvania and surrounding localities.

The house at Milestone Farm while it is constructed in the Georgian form, exhibits elements of Federal or neoclassical detail which is characteristic of western Maryland houses of the second quarter of the 19th century.

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Liber 295, Folio 567, April 15, 1955, 69 acres
 Grantors: H. Glenville Tonkin and Katheryn L. Tonkin

Grantees: C. William Hetzer, Inc.

2. Liber 236, Folio 694, July 18, 1946, 170 acres

Grantors: Brethern Service Committee

Grantees: H. Glenville Tonkin and Katheryn L. Tonkin

3. Liber 228, Folio 93, September 27, 1944, Parcel #1, 170 acres; Parcel #2, 10 acres Grantors: Harry R. Rowland and Prudence A. Rowland, W. Newton Long and Hazel
A. Long

Grantees: Brethren Service Committee

- 4. Liber 297, Folio 639, January 30, 1942, Parcel #1 170 acres, Parcel #2, 10 acres Grantors: Margaret A. Loose Grantees: Harry R. Rowland and Prudence A. Rowland, W. Newton Long and Hazel A. Long
- 5. Liber 177, Folio 311, April 14, 1927, Parcel #1, 170 acres, Parcel #2, 10 acres Grantors: Samuel N. Loose and Phyllis S. Loose Grantees: Elise Loose Lane and Margaret A. Loose
- 6. Liber L.N.18, Folio 232, October 5, 1864, 179 acres, 3 roods and 20 perches, \$16,400

Grantor; Joseph S. Loose

Grantee: Joseph B. Loose

Willed by Joseph B. Loose to Samuel N. Loose et al. Tracts which were part of "Enochson's Lot," "Enochson's Delight" and the "Resurvey of Salisbury."

7. Liber L.N.10, Felio 36, October 24, 1854, 179 acres, 3 roods and 20 perches \$13,384.13

Grantor: Frederick McComas and Harrison Angle, executors for Henry Angle.

Grantee: Jacob K. Harry

Information on the Loose family may be found in Thomas J. C. Williams, A History of Washington County, Mail Publishing Company, Hagerstown, Md., 1906, p. 617.



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